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Summary: In the 2013–2021 Housing Element Update, the City only met 25% of the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units while it met 300% of the RHNA targets for building new market-rate housing units. Furthermore, in the next eight years, the City only expects to meet 20% of the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units. Given the ongoing crisis in housing supply for renter households of Angelenos earning less than 120% of AMI, the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council hereby requests the Los Angeles City Council to require amendments to the 2021–2029 Housing Element Update to improve the achievement of the City’s RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units. Specifically, we urge the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, the Housing Committee, and the City Council to take the following actions: 1. To complement the data on the costs of building the required affordable housing units (260,000 affordable units x \$571,000/unit = \$148.5 billion) over the next eight years, please include in the plan an accounting of the value that will be lost for each of those affordable housing units that is not built, including the costs of continuing to manage the crisis in homelessness, higher rates of poverty, lower rates of home ownership, loss of household purchasing power due to high housing costs, loss of economic activity, population, and political clout due to people and jobs leaving for areas with lower housing costs, and increased suburban sprawl and greenhouse gas emissions. 2. Please include in the plan the roles and responsibilities of those officials who are responsible for achieving the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units. 3. Please include in the plan an inventory of all of the mechanisms the City will deploy over the next eight years to meet the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units and an allocation among those mechanisms of the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units in each year.



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Council File No. 21-1230
Housing Element / General Plan / 2021-2029
Rampart Village Neighborhood Council**



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We are in urgent and unprecedented times. As a result, we need urgent and unprecedented action. The Rampart Village Neighborhood Council hereby requests the Los Angeles City Council to require amendments to the 2021 – 2029 Housing Element Update to improve the achievement of the City’s Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) targets for building new affordable housing units. In the 2013 – 2021 Housing Element Update, only about 25% of the City’s RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units were met while about 300% of the RHNA targets for building new market-rate housing units were met. Furthermore, in the next eight years, the expectation is that only about 20% of the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units will be met.

This bleak forecast for the ongoing crisis in housing supply for renter households of Angelenos earning less than 120% of Area Median Income (AMI) cannot be allowed to stand and we urge the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, the Housing Committee, and the City Council to take action to forestall it. The actions we request are as follows:

1. To complement the data on the costs of building the required affordable housing units (260,000 affordable units x \$571,000/unit = \$148.5 billion) over the next eight years, please include in the plan an accounting of the value that will be lost for each of those affordable housing units that is not built, including the costs of continuing to manage the crisis in homelessness, higher rates of poverty, lower rates of home ownership, loss of household purchasing power due to high housing costs, loss of economic activity, population, and political clout due to people and jobs leaving for areas with lower housing costs, and increased suburban sprawl and greenhouse gas emissions.
2. Please include in the plan the roles and responsibilities of those officials who are responsible for achieving the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units.
3. Please include in the plan an inventory of all of the mechanisms that the City will deploy over the next eight years to meet the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units and an allocation among those mechanisms of the RHNA targets for building new affordable housing units in each year.

We believe these additions will strengthen the City’s commitment to achieving the purpose of the Housing Element Update as stated in the project summary on page A-1 in Exhibit A of the City Planning Commission’s October 14, 2021 Recommendation Report for Case Numbers CPC-2020-1365-GPA and CPC-2021-5499-GPA:

The Housing Element plays a unique role in charting the course for a more fair, equitable, and just Los Angeles for future generations. It identifies local housing needs and obstacles to meeting those needs, as well as updates goals, objectives, policies, and programs so that the necessary housing can be provided. This Housing Element Update prioritizes key concepts such as addressing the overall housing shortage while maximizing the creation of affordable housing, advancing housing stability

and anti-displacement policies, centering racial equity, and providing greater access to areas with high opportunity as well as fostering greater livability, sustainability and resilience in housing policies.

In service,

Rampart Village Neighborhood Council

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YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 INELIGIBLE: 0
ON THIS DATE: October 19, 2021